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MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE

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O. P. A. SPEAKER AT CONVOCATION

Mr. Byers Miller, Chief Adjustment and Analyst Economist from the Richmond office of the O. P. A. was the speaker at Convocation, Wednesday night.

"The individual is no longer an individual in this war. He cannot be guided by his own desires as this total war," he declared. One can best contribute to the war effort by investing in war stamps and bonds and by maintaining a physical well-being he said.

The collapse of the civilian morale must go through four stages--first: the honeymoon stage--it is at this stage that the entire population is struck by a patriotic fever. It was this stage that was experienced right after Pearl Harbor. Second: the grim determination stage. In this stage every one buckles down to work. The country is now entering into that stage. Third: the war weariness stage. This and the following stage we hope that we never reach. Fourth: the utter collapse of civilian morale which brings on military defeat.

Mr. Miller wished to emphasize the importance of the home front by the above points. The matter of inflation would aid greatly to the final stage--the utter collapse of civilian morale. This is where the O. P. A. comes in. Fixed costs of living will hold back inflation. There has been inflation in this country every time we have fought a war. Rationing is the most democratic thing over tried in this country. Therefore, rationing and price control must go hand in hand said Mr. Miller.

The conclusion of his address to the students and faculty explained the price program and retailer's place in the front line.*

*(Ed. note: Additional information concerning the consumer and the retailer may be obtained from Dr. Alvey's office.)

FREDERICKSBURG SEVERELY HIT BY FLOOD

Damage done to homes, industrial plants, and oil tanks caused the bulk of Fredericksburg losses in the flood last week. Scores of homes were completely wrecked while others were mud-caked and badly stained. As soon as the water subsided, "Fredericksburgers" began to disinfect and repair their homes.

Seven hundred and thirty-four thousand gallons of oil belonging to the Standard Oil Company, the Gulf Refining Company, and the Puro Oil Company were reported lost by washing away or burning. The estimated value of the loss was put at \$275,000.

Damage amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars was done by the flood to local industrial plants. The Sylvania Industrial Corp., the Lafayette Pants Factory, and the Virginia Shoe Company were the most damaged by the high waters.

MARY WASHINGTON GIRLS TURN TO FLOOD WORK WITH ZEAL!

Mary Washington College girls have again proved themselves ready in an emergency. Thursday night, the College Calvary Unit was called to the aid of the Fredericksburg citizens forced to leave their homes by the raging flood. Mounted troopers of the Calvary Unit patrolled Kemmer Avenue and the Main streets of town, from the Water Power House to the Train Station. While on duty, all members of the Calvary under the leadership of Captain Marjorie Hudson, exercised full police authority in guarding abandoned homes and clearing the streets of pedestrians. All work done was voluntary, and continued until the situation was under control Sunday night.

Also administering aid to the Fredericksburg citizens were a group of about 200 College Students located in Canteens throughout the city. Those Mary Washington volunteers were stationed in the Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches and also aided in the giving of typhoid shots at the Fredericksburg Court House. The girls worked in shifts of 15 from 3:30 Friday to 5:30 Sunday, serving food and water to those whose homes were flooded.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS SOLD IN STAMPS!

A salute to the niccos of Uncle Sam at MWC! They said they wanted to do something to help win this war, and they meant it! Since the sale of stamps began on this campus almost two weeks ago, over one hundred dollars has been loaned to the government in exchange for War Stamps by the students of this college.

This is proof that the Mary Washington girl is conscientiously working to help our fighting forces win this war. She is remembering that this is a complete war--excluding no one. It is her war, and she's in there fighting. Keep it up!

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The deepest sympathy of the faculty and studentbody is extended to Mrs. Anderson on the death of her husband, our friend and professor, Dr. Dice R. Anderson.

EDITORIAL

Our press didn't go floating down the river as was suggested last week, but it was put out of commission for several weeks to come. However, THE BULLET will continue to be published.

The past week has been an experience that will prove itself valuable in years to come. The way that the entire personnel of Mary Washington College handled the situation is to be commended. Excellent meals were served efficiently and with no obvious difficulty--classes were conducted per usual--boiled water was used (and is still being used) in accordance with the necessary rule even after the water was turned on at the college--all typhoid "shots" were survived even if we were pretty sick and sore for a day or two--all volunteers for "town emergency duty" were organized quickly and turned in splendid accounts for themselves--all audible complaints (and there were very FEW) were quickly turned into remarks of how smoothly things were running, etc. Let's pin an orchid on our shoulders and keep the same spirit running at full speed in normal times!

Remember, we aren't back to normal yet and it will take several weeks to reach that stage---watch the diet and get your extra rest! You will need all the resistance you can store up. Go to three meals a day and drink BOILED water only!

SCHEDULE FOR THIRD SHOTS

Virginia Hall	Wednesday, October 28	Immediately after Convocation. At Dormitory
Willard	Thursday, October 29	7:00 p.m. At Dorm
Cornell	Thursday, October 29	9:00 p.m. At Dorm
Westmoreland	Friday, October 30	1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Hamlet House	Friday, October 30	1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Tri-Unit	Friday, October 30	1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Town Girls	Friday, October 30	1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
		All afternoon shots given at Infirmary
Betty Lewis	Friday, October 30	7:00 p.m. at Dorm

My deepest appreciation to the Students and everyone else concerned for the wonderful cooperation, willingness, and kindness that has already been shown.
Mildred Ester Scott

TWENTY UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO BE GUESTS AT M.W.C.

The M. W. C. Wesley Foundation is sponsoring a discussion group Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in Monroe Auditorium, to be led by a deputation of STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA WESLEY CLUB. Be there!!

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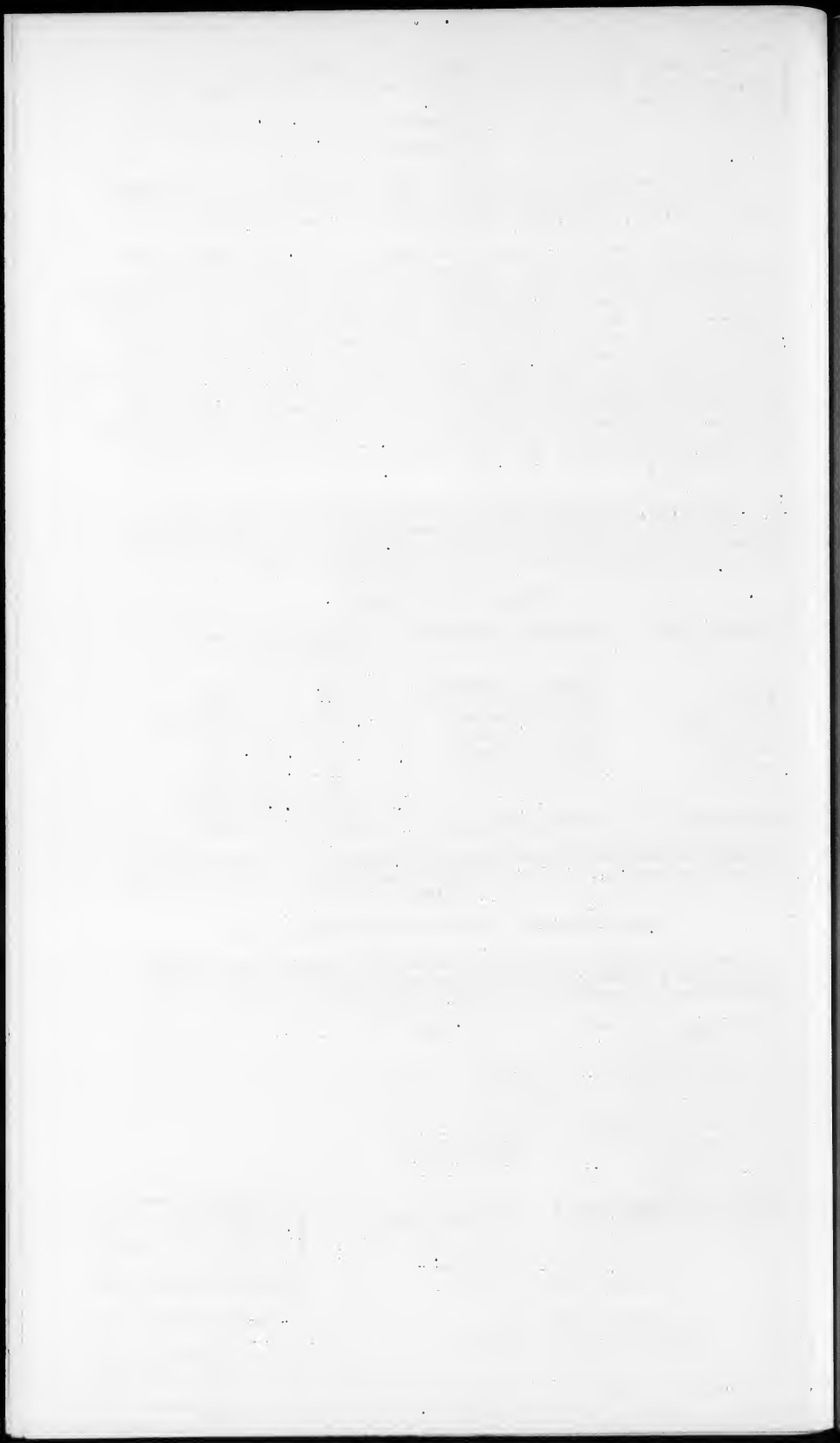
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Dear Editor,

Are we going to have Thanksgiving holidays? That question is uppermost in the minds of all the students on the hill right now. There are many things to be said in favor of having our regular Thanksgiving holiday, but after talking with many students I believe the majority of girls seem more in favor of an extended Christmas vacation.

The nation is already burdened with the problem of transportation--why should WE tangle it more? Besides its the patriotic thing to do--give the man in uniform the privilege of traveling over the weekends on the buses and trains! The majority of the students live too far away to have ample time to make their trip worth-while. Incidentally those fares amount up!

If we know "which way the wind is blowing" we can make our plans now for the Christmas holidays without having to upset Thanksgiving "dates", etc.

Sincerely,

An Interested Student

RED CROSS BANDAGE MAKING

Organization for Red Cross bandage making has been completed. The Local Chapter has given us material for thirty thousand 2" by 2" Bandages to complete by December 31. The tally taken of those who volunteered for the work shows that the hours from two to five Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday afternoons are most convenient to the greatest number.

Meetings will be in the Red Cross Workroom located in the basement of Willard Hall. It will be open during those hours for bandage making. Work began on "Flood Thursday" and has been continued during the past week. At present, individual students who volunteered have been doing the work. Student organizations and clubs are asked to sponsor certain hours of the week either during the hours set up or others. Students are requested to wear wash dresses of cotton, silk or rayon and to have heads tied "mummy" fashion.

There must be about 4,500 bandages made per week for the quota to be completed by December 31. Every student, whether she has or has not volunteered for the work, is urged to contribute at least one hour a week, in order that the quota may be met.

The work is being sponsored by Mrs. Combs and Miss Turman.

"KIND LADY" PLANS WELL UNDER WAY

M.W.C. Players are plunging ahead with plans for their new play, "KIND LADY". The cast has been announced and rehearsals are under way. The technical staff under direction of Mr. Jones and Bobby Fick are building a super 14-foot set from the ground up! The play has been scheduled for December 11th and 12th.

SEND HOME FOR THAT FORMAL, GIRLS! Only a matter of days until the STUDENT GOVERNMENT Reception in the Hall of Mirrors. November 6th is the big date! Everyone is invited--students, faculty and administration!

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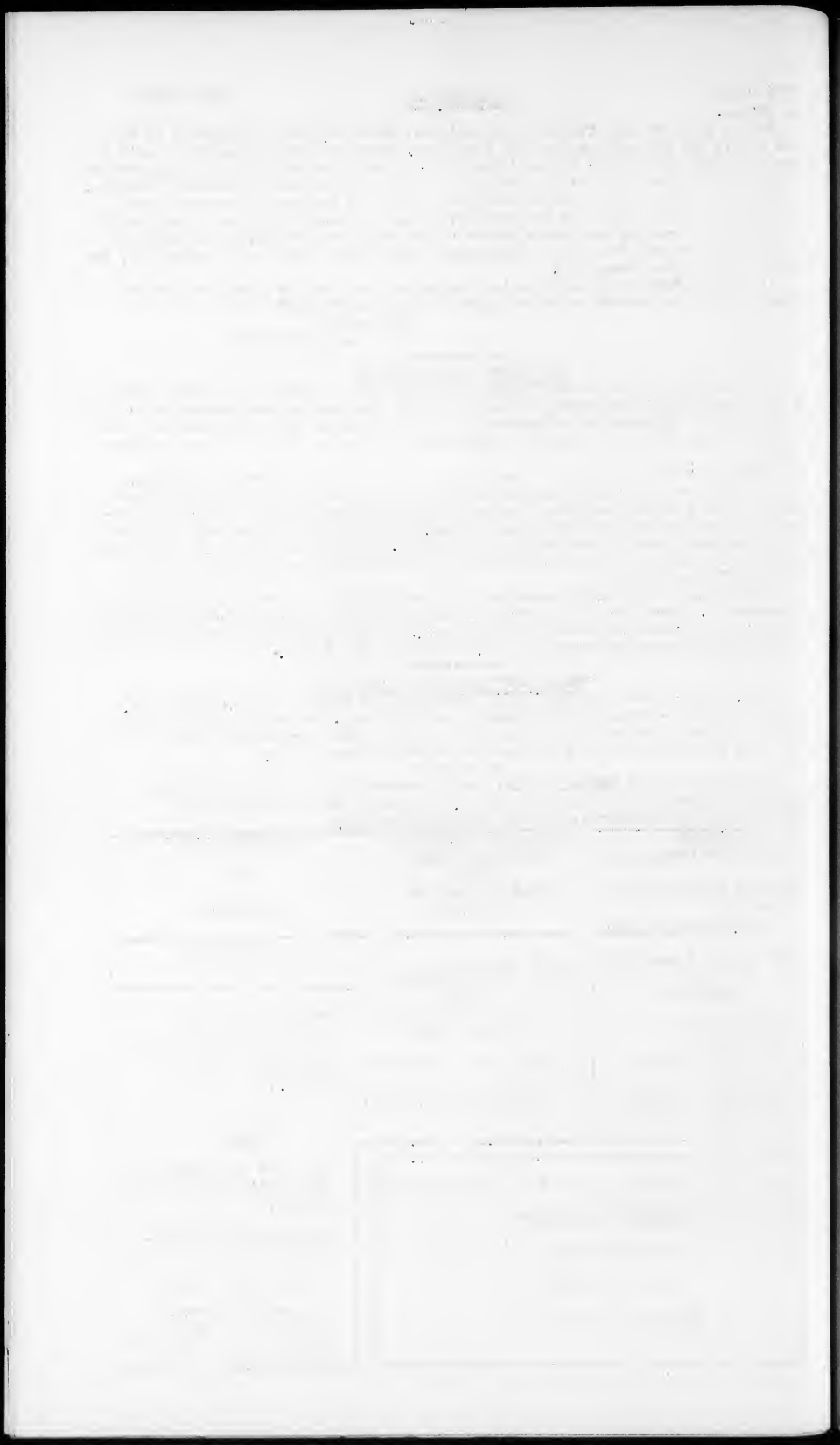
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A.A. PLANS HALLOWEEN PARTY BENEFIT

You are in for loads of fun if you come to the A.A. Benefit October 30th, from eight 'til ten P.M. There will be games, dancing, apple-bobbing, fortune-telling, and all the Halloween fun! Refreshments, cider and doughnuts, will be served. All this for ten cents! Remember, Big Gym, next Friday night. Dress for fun--costumes or otherwise.

A.A. COMPLETES DRIVE; PRESENTS ENTERTAINING CHAPEL

The Athletic Association presented in chapel last Tuesday an amusing skit in which several girls showed how the belles of 1908 dressed for various sports. Later the girls appeared dressed for the same sports à la 1942. Each girl was outfitted to represent the committee of which she is chairman. Claire Moore, president, served as Master of Ceremonies and urged every girl to become a member of the A.A. Dot Harris, tennis chairman, asked that all tennis matches in which faculty members are teaming with students be played off by Sunday, October 25.

Don't Forget: The membership dance in the gym tonight (bring dates too!).

Also remember the recreational sports in the gym over the weekend. See your sports calendar for further information.

NOTICE!

There will be a meeting of all persons connected with the Volunteer Emergency Corp (planned to officiate during air raids and black-outs) next Monday at 5:00 p.m. in Monroe Auditorium. It is very urgent that you be present.

DOG MART CANCELLED BECAUSE OF FLOOD

The annual Dog Mart held on the James Monroe High School grounds was cancelled because of the damages, etc. caused by the recent flood. Roger Clark of the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce announced here recently. M.W.C. students under the direction of the Public Relations Office have taken part for the past several years and had made plans for the 1942 Mart to have been held today.

ATTENTION! One or two students interested in Biology, able to do some drawings and ready to do voluntary work in the Museum are asked to announce their intention to Dr. Iltis (daily at 2:00 or 3:00 p.m. in Chandler Hall laboratory).

DID YOU KNOW That the College has sent a note to your parents assuring them that you were exposed to no real danger and that you conducted yourself during the calamity in a manner befitting your station? A vote of thanks to the administration for this note of cheer to worried parents!

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